



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness
September 9, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.
City Hall – Main Boardroom

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. in the City Hall, Main Boardroom. The following Committee members were in attendance:

Present: Councillor L. Bussey, co-chair,
Dr. J. Corkal,
L. Fuller, and
E. Shea.

Regrets: D. McKee, co-chair
D. Anderson,
L. Elkin,
I. Hamlyn,
J. Renaud (resigned), and
V. Tompkins.

The following advisory members were in attendance:

N. Nadeau, and
M. Saturnino.

The following representatives of the Federal Government were in attendance via conference call:

D. MacMillan,
K. Rapley, and
S. Glynnmorris.

The following members of the Public were in attendance:

H. Maddeaux-Young.

The following members of Administration staff were in attendance:

Mayor M. Heyck,
D.M. Gillard,
D.M. Hernblad,
Caren Kida,
G. White, and
A. Neumann, Recording.



Call to Order

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

2. Ms. Fuller moved,
Dr. Corkal seconded,

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

3. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Approval of June 10, 2015 Minutes

4. Dr. Corkal moved,
E. Shea seconded,

That the Minutes of June 10, 2015 be approved with an amendment to the Motion in Point 11.

Mr. White noted that the Motion is in conflict with the Collective Agreement in that an employee's work may not be contracted out.

Dr. Corkal moved,
L. Fuller seconded,

That the Motion directing the CAB Executive to move ahead and meet with groups currently delivering services to the target population to come up with the components of an RFP for Housing First/Integrated Services be reconsidered and withdrawn as this responsibility lies with the Homelessness Coordinator as per the Collective Agreement.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Orientation on Restructuring of Committees of Council

5. D.M. Gillard gave a presentation detailing the restructuring of Committees of Council which came about to provide better consistency throughout all Committees of Council. Other benefits were detailed, such as better connection between Committees and Council, as well as details on how Committees conduct business, budgeting, and more.

CAB: meeting time & frequency, member sector vacancies, attendance

6. Discussion was held on getting better attendance. An idea to change the time of day of future meetings came up. Also discussed was the frequency of meetings (monthly vs. quarterly). A representative on the CAB for aboriginals and seniors remains vacant.

Action: Administration to get timelines that would work in Ms. Tompkins' schedule and bring back the results to the next meeting for more discussion with the other members.



Action: K. Rapley noted that quarterly meetings may not meet the Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) requirements/directives, but he will look into it and report back at the next meeting.

Action: Administration to clarify what constitutes quorum for this committee.

Local 2015 Yellowknife & National 2016 Point-in-Time (PiT) Count

7. Administration discussed the 2015 PiT Count report and noted the final draft is expected to be completed by the Conservatory on Homelessness by the end of this month. Discussion on the National 2016 PiT Count was held, and Administration reported that an application was submitted for funding. More discussion was held on whether the CAB should do the National PiT Count in January/February 2016, as required by the Feds, or a Count one year following the last count (May 2015), and the issue of the differing approaches/methodologies of the two counts. Administration also noted that Counts are often undertaken biannually (not annually).

Action: Administration will complete a press release with the results of the Point-in-Time Count when the final draft is complete.

Action: Administration to contact the other two Territories and see what their plans and feedback is concerning the undertaking of the National 2016 PiT Count that is to occur within the first 60 days of 2016.

Action: A decision will be added to the next meeting's agenda (after the 2015 PiT Count report is released) regarding whether or not another PiT Count will be held in 2016.

Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) Community Plan Annual Update (CPAU)

8. Administration updated the Committee on the HPS CPAU and that our plan has been renewed with the same priorities and approved by the Feds. It was also noted that the Plan mistakenly had Yukon's numbers on page 4 - 5.

Action: Administration will correct numbers on page 4 and 5 of the HPS plan and resend to the Committee.

Upcoming Events or News

9. The Mayor noted that an information session is taking place at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 10, 2015 in Council Chambers to address how Yellowknife can contribute to the Syrian refugee situation.

The Mayor exited the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

D.M. Hernblad noted the annual CAEH National Conference on Ending Homelessness is on November 2 - 4, 2015 in Montreal (www.caeh.ca). As well, the Grand Opening of Hope's Haven (and the 20 year celebration of Side Door) will occur near the end of September (to be announced). Also noted, was the renovations at the Day Shelter have been completed.



Next Meeting

10. Next meeting is scheduled on October 14, 2015.

Action: A request for meetings to be added to Outlook was made, and administration will invite members via Outlook going forward.

Adjournment

11. The meeting was adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

Prepared: September 9, 2015 DMH/an